

# TAFT SPEAKS

To Porto Ricans Regarding Their Demand

FOR CITIZENSHIP.

He Tells Them that They Already Enjoy Practically All the Rights of Full Fledged Americans.

Ponce, Porto Rico, April 18.—Secretary Taft and his party, Gov. Winthrop and the insular officials accompanying them arrived here Tuesday.

A banquet in honor of the secretary was given by the city. The speech of welcome was delivered by Augusto Gaudier, president of the city council. Gaudier spoke of the excellent work done by Gov. Winthrop during his tenure of office and referred to the question of citizenship.

Gov. Winthrop delivered his response to this address in Spanish. He expressed gratitude for the confidence of the people, deeply regretted his departure and promised always to lend his aid in matters affecting the island.

Hermilio Diaz, a member of the executive council, made a speech in which he introduced Secretary Taft. He made a strong plea for citizenship and expressed the hope that Secretary Taft would unite with President Roosevelt against Speaker Cannon, who, when he recently, gave the Porto Ricans little hope in the matter of citizenship.

Secretary Taft then spoke vigorously in reply, saying in part:

"Again I am urged to make a specific declaration regarding the policy of the United States toward the people of Porto Rico. I am only a humble member of President Roosevelt's cabinet. Whatever I may think or whatever I may do are matters of little importance to the people of this island. I can only invoke your attention to the fact that President Roosevelt has visited Porto Rico and the island has been visited by Mr. Root, the secretary of state, and by Mr. Cannon, speaker of the house of representatives, and in some respects the most powerful man in the republic. What these visits indicate is this: That the people of the United States have a deep affection for the people of Porto Rico and feel more kindly toward them and have a greater interest in them than in the people of Cuba or the Philippines.

"You say you have not been given citizenship, but there have been congressional difficulties with reference to this matter. I ask what is it that Porto Ricans do not enjoy that an American enjoys. You have every guarantee and security which a citizen of the United States has under the constitution. You have the writ of habeas corpus and the trial by jury, and when you are in a foreign country the same flag protects you that protects a citizen of the United States. Therefore, while President Roosevelt urges citizenship he urges it on the ground of gratifying the sentiment of the people of this island."

A Big Merger is Planned.

Cincinnati, April 18.—A merger involving Presbyterian properties aggregating millions of dollars is to be brought up in the general assembly of the Presbyterian church of the United States when it opens its sessions May 16 in Columbus. The proposition is the consolidation of the Lane theological seminary, the McCormick theological seminary at Chicago and the Western Theological seminary at Pittsburg.

A Shortage of Nearly \$100,000.

Canton, O., April 18.—The appraisal of the Farmers' bank, whose president, H. G. McDowell, committed suicide several weeks ago, was filed Wednesday. It shows the total liabilities of the bank are \$312,740 and the assets \$213,809. The cash on hand, including that collected by the trustees, is \$75,599.50. The report was turned over to the trustees, to be filed in probate court.

Chinese Obstruct Famine Relief.

Shanghai, April 18.—The famine relief committee is feeding 400,000 persons and will continue to feed about that number until June. Grain is arriving daily. The Chinese official relief has ceased. Some official obstruction is being placed in the way of relief work.

Preferred Charges Against North.

Columbus, O., April 18.—A delegation consisting of George Lillenthal, J. B. Geddes, G. A. Welby and H. C. Wine, of Zanesville, came to Columbus Wednesday and made direct charges to the governor against Paul North, of Cleveland, president of the city and game commission. They charged that he has violated the fish and game laws. Mr. Lillenthal is the president of the Ohio division of the American Sportsman's Club. "We are here in the interest of Coh. Porter," he said.

Wants \$10,000 for Breach of Promise.

Akron, O., April 18.—Miss Eva D. Lambright, a Toledo woman, has sued John H. Cook, a shoe dealer of Cuyahoga Falls, for \$10,000 for alleged breach of promise. Cook is charged by Miss Lambright with "wickedly and wantonly trifling with her affection" and she says she has an advertisement matrimonial connection. "This will all be yours," he is alleged to have told her as he showed her through a handsomely furnished home at Cuyahoga Falls.

## WAR ON WAR



### PEACE CONGRESS CLOSES.

Mr. Carnegie is Honored by France—He Issues a Reply to President Roosevelt's "Objections."

New York, April 18.—The first convention of the national arbitration and peace congress came to an end last night after a three days' session, with two banquets, one at the Hotel Astor and the other at the Waldorf-Astoria. The event of greatest interest was the decoration of Andrew Carnegie with the cross of the Legion of Honor by the French government, represented by Baron d'Estournelles de Constant, in appreciation of his work for peace and his gift of the palace at The Hague.

Mr. Carnegie, who is president of the congress, gave out a statement as to the results of the congress. Although not so designated by Mr. Carnegie, the statement constitutes a reply to some of the suggestions contained in the letter which President Roosevelt addressed to the congress. Mr. Carnegie quotes these statements as "objections" and answers them as follows:

"Our peace conference has brought three objections clearly before us. 'First—Nations cannot submit all questions to arbitration. 'Answer—Six of them have recently done so by treaty—Denmark, and The Netherlands, Chile and Argentina, Norway and Sweden. 'Second—Justice is higher than peace. 'Answer—The first principle of natural justice forbids men to judge when they are parties to the issue. All law rests upon this.

"Nations being only aggregates of individuals, they will not reach justice in their judgments until the same rule holds good, viz: That they, like individuals, shall not sit as judges in their own cause. 'Third—It is neither peace nor justice, but righteousness that shall exalt the nation. 'Answer—Righteousness is simply doing what is right."

Echoes of the Mexican Earthquake.

City of Mexico, April 18.—Owing to the great difficulty in establishing communication with the cities situated in the region of the greatest devastation wrought by the recent earthquake, details are coming slowly. The last shock occurred at noon Wednesday, 50, the list of dead, which now totals 50, and of the injured, which approximates 200, are many names of Mexicans prominent in official life. So far the name of no American or other foreigner has appeared in the list of dead and injured.

The Last Witness is Heard.

Washington, April 18.—The last witness was heard Wednesday in the trial of Blinger Hermann for destroying public records, and the government concluded the presentation of its suggestions to the court regarding the law points involved in the prosecution. The defense will offer its suggestions to the court today.

Elopers are Arrested.

Ashland, O., April 18.—Earl Cane, a machinist, aged 27 years, who eloped from here last Saturday with 14-year-old Victoria Boeber, was arrested Wednesday near Burbank. The girl was with him. They were brought here by Marshal Fogelman, of Ashland. Cane was a boarder at the home of the girl's mother.

Indicted for Assault on Kill.

Jefferson, O., April 18.—The Ashland county grand jury on Wednesday indicted Stephen Davern and John O'Brien on charges of assaulting and killing George Pyle at Ashtabula Harbor, February 5. Pyle was attacked by four men, one of whom, named Butler, he killed.

Columbus Won the First Game.

Columbus, O., April 18.—After the pennant won last year by the Columbus club had been raised Wednesday at Nell park, the home team won without trouble from Milwaukee. Score: Columbus 5, Milwaukee 4.

### Cannon is Still Missing.

Columbus, O., April 18.—Nelson Cannon, the Columbus representative of the Cleveland Trinidad Asphalt Paving Co., who has been the principal witness against H. C. Lang at his trial for bribery, has left the city. Cannon is mysteriously missing, but if Lang or M. F. Bramley or any of the others indicted for bribery expect to escape trial on that account they are doomed to disappointment. Those in charge of the prosecution announce that they are determined that punishment shall be meted out to every guilty man, if not at the present time, then when Cannon is located.

Royal Arcanum Grand Council Meets.

Columbus, O., April 18.—The thirty-third annual session of the grand council of Ohio, Royal Arcanum, opened in this city Wednesday with about 200 delegates in attendance. W. J. Sanford, of Lima, grand regent, in his annual address said there had been a slight loss in membership during 1906. Grand Secretary Butterworth read his annual report showing that on December 31, 1906, there were 144 councils in the state and that during the past year there had been a net loss of four councils. The membership in the state on December 31, 1906, was 11,045.

Refuses to Sell for \$150,000.

Cleveland, April 18.—The Cleveland Electric Railway Co. has turned down the offer of the Great City Railway Co. to buy the tracks and overhead construction of the Central-Quincy route for \$149,253. A counter-proposal is to be made by President Andrews and transmitted to President du Pont today. This is by order of the Cleveland Electric board of directors, decided on Wednesday. The old company's decision was expressed in a brief letter, which was forwarded to du Pont by messenger.

SHORT NEWS ITEMS.

The first ballot of both houses of the Wisconsin legislature in joint session for United States senator to succeed John C. Spooner resulted in no choice.

The supreme court of the United States has dismissed the appeal of John Johnson, who is awaiting execution in Sing Sing prison for killing his wife in Yonkers, N. Y. A dispatch from Las Palmas, Canary Islands, says that a whole family there has been poisoned as the result of eating American preserves. Three of its members are dead and two are dying.

After less than three months' trial the railroads are considering a proposition to abolish the American railway clearing house, which was established to facilitate the movement and distribution of freight cars and to prevent car shortages.

Refused to Grant an Injunction.

El Paso, Tex., April 18.—Federal Judge Maxey on Wednesday refused to grant an injunction against local ticket brokers on application of the Rock Island Railroad Co. The brokers answering the railroad's application declared that the cut rate tickets complained of were authorized by traffic associations which they allege are trusts or illegal combinations and therefore deserve no protection. Judge Maxey did not rule on the issue, simply announcing that if the railroad company pressed the case he would not grant an injunction.

Bad Faith is Alleged.

Concord, N. H., April 18.—The charge that the suit for an accounting of the property of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, filed March 1, was not brought in good faith by the so-called "next friends" named in the suit, is contained in the answer of the defendants in the action, which was filed Wednesday in the Merrimack county superior court. The defendants charge that these "next friends" were induced to loan their names for use in the suit "at the instigation and the expense of certain evil minded persons, not related to said Mary Baker G. Eddy."

# THE MACHINE

In Chicago Politics Terrorizes Policemen.

"MAN HIGHER UP"

Has Levied Campaign Contributions on the Men for Many Years and Has Been Obeyed.

Chicago, April 18.—Fear of the man higher up has always ruled campaign contributions in the police department of Chicago, the civil service commission was told Wednesday in its investigation of charges against ex-Chief of Police John M. Collins that a levy had been made on the police during the recent mayoralty campaign. Capt. O'Brien, of the detective bureau, was questioned by the commission.

"A short time before the primaries," he said, "Chief Collins called me into his office and said he was trying to raise money to assist Mayor Dunne. He wanted me to help him. He said those opposing Mayor Dunne had plenty of money, while the mayor himself had but little. I did not say anything, but when I reached my office I spoke to my lieutenants about it. I told them that I was not in favor of it, but that I would leave the matter to them and they could do as they pleased. A few days later \$445 in envelopes was handed to me and I gave it to the chief himself."

"Did the commanding officers ever discuss the clause of the civil service law which forbids them to contribute for political purposes?"

"Yes, I have heard it discussed and have talked about it myself."

"Then why did some of the officers not rebel against the contributions?"

"I cannot explain it. There is a certain fear that exists among members of the department that makes a man hesitate in matters of that kind and they think the best way is to do as the other officers do, contribute."

"Do you think that fear reaches down to the lowest officers?"

"Yes, I believe it does."

"Do you think then," asked Commissioner Winter, "that fear stamps the whole department as a machine which works according to the wishes of the man who has charge of it, without regard to the civil service law?"

"Yes, I do."

To Legalize Sunday Ball Games.

Lansing, Mich., April 18.—It is said that Sunday baseball games in Detroit are permitted by a bill which passed the lower house of the legislature Wednesday. The bill at first glance appears only to give the common council of Detroit additional powers for enforcing Sunday observance laws. Opponents of Sunday ball games will endeavor to have the bill reconsidered by the house and failing in that, will fight it in the senate.

Bonilla in Exile.

Mexico City, April 18.—President Bonilla, of Honduras, was landed Wednesday at Salina Cruz, Mexico, from the United States gunboat Princeton. Bonilla is expected to come directly to this city. He left Amapala, Honduras, last Saturday aboard the Princeton, after having entered into an agreement with President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, and President Figueroa, of Salvador, that he should quit Central America.

Secured a Trial Jury Panel.

San Francisco, April 18.—After delays occupying 22 days, a trial jury panel subject to the exercise of 15 peremptory challenges, ten by the defense and five by the prosecution, was completed Wednesday in the case of Abraham Ruef, charged with extortion. It is thought likely that another week will be required for the permanent filling of the panel after the peremptories have been exercised.

La Marche Claims Strike is Over.

Lorain, O., April 18.—The shipyard employees at Lorain have fallen out with the union, and Manager La Marche says the strike is over. But 200 original strikers are rallying around President Bird in a last stand. They are receiving help from outside and say they will fight on. Skilled men, union and non-union, are coming in, and the company says the full complement of 1,500 will be at work in two weeks.

Kahn is Acquitted.

Chicago, April 18.—Julius Kahn, president of the bankrupt Cash Quarters' Union, First National Co-operative society, was on Wednesday in the federal court found not guilty of using the mails to promote a fraudulent scheme.

Prison Guard Killed a Convict.

Raleigh, N. C., April 18.—In an attempt to escape from the penitentiary Wednesday by three young convicts one of them, C. L. Scruggs, was killed by a guard. Jack Williams and Dodd Wilson were recaptured.

Poisoners are Sentenced to Death.

Monterey, Mexico, April 18.—The supreme court of Mexico has affirmed the decision of the lower court in the cases of Hulbert, Mitchell and Harle, Americans, convicted of poisoning two other Americans, and the three men have been sentenced to death by the Chihuahua courts. The only recourse for the condemned men lies in a pardon or commutation by President Diaz. Their crime is alleged to have been committed three years ago and the victims were J. Mitchell and William Dowers.

## Woman was Fatally Burned.

Cleveland, April 18.—In sight of her four children, who struggled to save her and were seriously burned themselves in the attempt, Mrs. Addie Varago, of Bedford, was fatally injured Wednesday by a gasoline explosion. She had poured gasoline instead of kerosene in an oil stove. When she lighted the wick the gasoline exploded. The fluid spurted over her and in an instant her clothes were a mass of flames.

Presented a Medal to Prof. Bell.

New York, April 18.—The dedicatory exercises of the new home presented to the United Engineering societies by Andrew Carnegie were continued Wednesday. The exercises included the presentation of the John Fritz gold medal to Alexander Graham Bell for the invention of the telephone. This is the third of the John Fritz medals that have been awarded by the United Engineering societies, the first having been given to Lord Kelvin for his work in cable laying and the second to George Westinghouse for perfecting the air brake.

\$75,000 Fire Loss.

Akron, O., April 18.—The hardware store of Rohrbacher & Ellen was destroyed by fire last night, entailing a loss of \$75,000.

Fire Destroys a Town.

Toronto, Ont., April 18.—Letchford, a mining town in the Cobalt mining district, was destroyed by fire last night.

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ING'S DYSPEPSIA TABLETS

Non-Resident Notice.

Senate Street.

John Greenflow, owner of lot No. 4280.

A. E. Orr, owner of lot No. 4285.

D. S. Crider, owner of lot No. 4290.

Non-resident owner of property as above described, will take notice that on the 1st day of April, 1907, the Council of the City of Marion, Ohio, passed a resolution to construct a Cellar Drain in Senate Street, from Silver Street to C. H. V. & T. R. R. in accordance with the plans, specifications and profiles on file in the office of the department of Public Service.

The cost of said improvement will be assessed upon said lots if not constructed within thirty days as required by law.

By order of the Council of the City of Marion, Ohio.

CITY CLERK.

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Non-Resident Notice.

Mound Street.

Amelia C. Clay, owner of lot No. 2963.

Non-resident owner of property as above described, will take notice that on the 4th day of March, 1907, the Council of the City of Marion, Ohio, passed a resolution to construct a sandstone sidewalk on the east side of Mound Street from Columbia to Buckeye streets, in accordance with the plans, specifications and profiles on file in the office of the department of Public Service.

The cost of said improvement will be assessed upon said lots if not constructed within thirty days as required by law.

By order of the Council of the City of Marion, Ohio.

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RESOLUTION NO. 23. To construct sidewalks.

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Marion, State of Ohio:

That a sidewalk shall be constructed on the east side of John's street from Wilson avenue to the South line of the right of way of the C. C. & St. L. railroad.

That a sidewalk shall be constructed on the east side of Cummins avenue from Church street to Mt. Vernon avenue.

That a sidewalk shall be constructed on the south side of Wilson avenue from Dix avenue to Carhart street.

Of the character and in the manner following: the same to be a four foot sandstone sidewalk laid to the established grade and constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications on file in the department of Public Service.

That the Clerk of the Council be and he is hereby directed to cause a written notice of the passage of this resolution to be served as required by law.

Passed April 15, 1907.

S. R. RAUHAUSER,

President of City Council.

Approved by the Mayor, Louis Scherff.

Attest: William Fies, City Clerk.

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RESOLUTION NO. 24. Repealing part of a certain resolution passed by the Council of Marion, Ohio, on the 18th day of March, 1907, being resolution No. 14.

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Marion, State of Ohio, that so much of a certain resolution

passed by this body on the 18th day of March, 1907, being resolution No. 14 as provides for a five foot sandstone sidewalk on the north side of Bellefontaine avenue from the east side of Pennsylvania Railway Company to the east line of lot number 1654 be and the same is hereby repealed.

Passed April 15, 1907.

S. R. RAUHAUSER,

President of City Council.

Approved by the Mayor, Louis Scherff.

Attest: William Fies, City Clerk.

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ORDINANCE NO. 18. To proceed with the improvement of Girard Avenue from Columbia Street to Bellefontaine Avenue.

Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Marion, State of Ohio: Section 1. That it is hereby decided by the Council of the City of Marion, three-fourths of all the members elected thereto concurring, to proceed with the improvement of Girard Avenue from Columbia Street to Bellefontaine Avenue in accordance with a resolution for that purpose passed on the 4th day of March, 1907, by said Council and being known as resolution No. 7; and in accordance with the plans, specifications, estimates and profiles heretofore approved and now on file in the office of the department of Public Service.

Sec. 2. That all claims for damages therefrom shall be judicially inquired into before the commencement of the proposed improvement, and the City Solicitor be and he is hereby authorized and directed to institute proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction to inquire into such claims.

Sec. 3. That the whole cost of said improvement less one-fifth thereof and the cost of interest thereon shall be assessed by the foot frontage upon all lots and lands bounding and abutting upon said improvement between Columbia street and Bellefontaine Avenue which said lots and lands are hereby determined to be especially benefited by said improvement and the cost of said improvement shall include the expense of printing, publishing and serving notices, resolutions, ordinances required, and the cost of issuing the same issued in anticipation of the collection of the assessment to be levied for said improvement, interest and all other necessary expenditures.

Sec. 4. That the assessment so to be levied shall be paid in ten annual installments with interest on deferred payments not to exceed six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, provided that the owner of any property may, at his option, pay such assessment or any number of installments thereof at any time after said assessment has been levied, with interest to the semi-annual interest day of said bonds next following the last payment.

Sec. 5. That the remainder of the entire cost of said improvement shall be paid by the issuance of bonds in the manner provided by law.

Sec. 6. Bonds or notes of the City of Marion, Ohio, shall be issued in anticipation of the collection of the assessment by installments and in an amount equal thereto.

Sec. 7. That said improvement shall be of vitrified brick block with curb and the necessary catch basins, drainage, etc., and the following materials may be bid upon therefor: Vitrified brick block.

Sec. 8. That the Board of Public Service be and they are hereby authorized and directed to make and execute a contract for such improvement to the lowest and best bidder after advertisement according to law.

Sec. 9. This ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed April 15, 1907.

S. R. RAUHAUSER,

President of City Council.

Approved by the Mayor, Louis Scherff.

Attest: William Fies, City Clerk.

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ORDINANCE NO. 19. Accepting deed from E. B. Durfee and George D. Copeland to City.

Sec. 1. That the deed from E. B. Durfee and G. D. Copeland for the following described property: Situated in the City of Marion, Ohio, being part of lot number 1697, in Park Boulevard addition to Marion, Ohio.

Sec. 2. That this ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage and legal publication.

Passed April 15, 1907.

S. R. RAUHAUSER,

President of City Council.

Approved by the Mayor, Louis Scherff.

Attest: William Fies, City Clerk.

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Legal Notice

John R. Corwin, whose place of residence is unknown, will take notice that Dora M. Corwin did on the 3rd day of April, A. D. 1907, file in the Court of Common Pleas of Marion county, Ohio, her certain petition for divorce against him on the grounds of gross neglect of duty and extreme cruelty.

The prayer of said petition is that she may be divorced, that she may be awarded reasonable alimony and restored to her maiden name.

This petition will be for hearing on and after six weeks after the first publication of this notice, which first publication is made on April 4th, 1907.

DORA M. CORWIN, PLAINTIFF.



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